

OFFICIAL REPORTS OF SOCIETIES

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IMPORTANT TO OFFICERS OF SOCIETIES

THE attention of officers of all organizations that send announcements and reports for publication in this department is called to the fact that all such communications should be sent to *my address*, and not to the Editor-in-Chief at Rochester or to the publication office in Philadelphia. Proceedings, to be of interest, should be reported immediately after a meeting has been held and sent on at once. This department of official reports goes to press usually on the 18th day of the month preceding the date of issue, but it sometimes happens that the pages are held a few days later for especial reports to come in, in which case any short reports that are in my hands can be given space, instead of being held over for a later number.

To young officers new to the work a word of advice may be acceptable. Condense all reports as much as possible. Do not abbreviate. Write out in full each time the name of the society, president, secretary, treasurer, etc. Use figures only for dates. Remember that to write on both sides of the paper is a literary crime. When you do this your report must be rewritten before being sent to the printer.

Leave a margin of an inch at the top and one side of every sheet.

Do not write a personal note to the editor on the same sheet which is to go to the printer. Sign name and address each time.

MARY E. THORNTON,
Editor of the Department of Official Reports,
120 East Thirty-first Street, New York City.

NEW YORK STATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION

THE following associations and individuals were accepted into membership at the semi-annual meeting of the New York State Nurses' Association, held in New York October 20, 1903:

Alumnae Association of St. Luke's Hospital Training-School for Nurses; membership, 101: of the Brooklyn Hospital Training-School for Nurses; membership, 102: of St. Vincent's Training-School for Nurses, membership, 32: of the Training-School for Nurses of the German Hospital; membership, 77: of Training-School of St. John's Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y.; membership, 37: and the Association of Nurses of Northern New York; membership, 24.

Miss Ida M. Wainwright, graduate 1902, Hahnemann Hospital, Rochester, N. Y.
Miss Margaret E. Reynolds, graduate 1902, Hahnemann Hospital, Rochester,
N. Y.

Miss Lillian E. Bickle, graduate 1902, Hahnemann Hospital, Rochester, N. Y.
Miss Maud L. Parkes, graduate 1901, Nathan Littauer Hospital, Gloversville, N. Y.
Miss Maud, or Marie, Schwartz, graduate 1898, Nathan Littauer Hospital, Gloversville, N. Y.
Mrs. F., or J. R., Fulton, graduate 1903, Nathan Littauer Hospital, Gloversville, N. Y.
Miss Ruth A. Hathaway, graduate 1900, Nathan Littauer Hospital, Gloversville, N. Y.
Mrs. Mary Werdeiman, graduate 1899, Nathan Littauer Hospital, Gloversville, N. Y.
Miss Maud Granger Tompkins, graduate 1902, St. John's Training-School, St. John's Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Mrs. Minnie J. Ledlie (John B.), graduate 1892, The Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Md.
Miss Helen M. Nixon, graduate 1899, Metropolitan Hospital, New York City.
Miss Evelyn Nixon, graduate 1899, Metropolitan Hospital, New York City.
Miss Lillian D. Wald, graduate New York Hospital Training-School for Nurses.
Miss Sarah Bessie Palmer, graduate 1896, St. Luke's Hospital, Utica, N. Y.
Miss Ida Thomas, graduate 1898, Hahnemann Hospital, Rochester, N. Y.
Miss Julia E. Davern, graduate 1896, New York State Training-School of the Prospect Heights and Brooklyn Maternity Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Miss Catherine M. Carruthers, graduate 1894, Lady Stanley Institute, Ottawa, Canada; graduate 1900, Polyclinic Hospital, New York City.
Miss Mary Lee Watson, graduate 1900, St. Luke's Hospital, Utica, N. Y.
Miss Frida E. Aurell, graduate 1898, University of Pennsylvania Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa.
Miss Georgia L. Josh, graduate 1903, Hahnemann Hospital, Rochester, N. Y.
Mr. James Bernard Buckley, Class of 1902, Hahnemann Hospital, Rochester, N. Y.
Miss Emma Teresa Hogan, graduate 1896, St. Lawrence State Hospital, Ogdensburg, N. Y.
Miss Bessie Nesbitt, graduate 1898, State Hospital, Concord, N. H.
Miss Anna R. Korbel, graduate 1898, Utica State Hospital, Utica, N. Y.
Miss Bertha Alma Underwood, graduate 1902, Women's Christian Association Hospital, Jamestown, N. Y.
Miss Sylvia Nell Williams, graduate 1898, Amsterdam City Hospital, Amsterdam, N. Y.
Miss Elizabeth Hogan, graduate 1893, St. Lawrence State Hospital, Ogdensburg, N. Y.
Miss Ella Underhill, graduate 1891, Bellevue Hospital, New York City.
Miss Florence M. Perry, graduate 1901, Amsterdam City Hospital, Amsterdam, N. Y.
Miss Mary Elizabeth McNally, graduate 1902, Poughkeepsie State Hospital, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
Miss Jennie Louise Reynolds, graduate 1899, St. Luke's Hospital, Utica, N. Y.
Miss Ida Z. Thompson, graduate 1901, Protestant Episcopal Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa.
Miss Jane C. Mattingly, graduate 1898, Troy Hospital, Troy, N. Y.
Miss Christene Ronnenberg, graduate 1899, Women's Christian Association Hospital, Jamestown, N. Y.

Miss Edith Emma Moore, graduate 1900, Women's Christian Association Hospital, Jamestown, N. Y.

Miss Estella Hayes, graduate 1901, St. Luke's Hospital, Utica, N. Y.

Miss Mary Stuart, graduate 1901, St. Luke's Hospital, Utica, N. Y.

Miss Genevieve E. Drew, graduate 1901, Women's Christian Association Hospital, Jamestown, N. Y.

Miss Melvina Seversage, graduate 1902, Women's Christian Association Hospital.

Mrs. S. J. Keeler, graduate 1900, Women's Christian Association Hospital.

Miss Edna E. Luce, graduate 1892, Women's Christian Association Hospital, Jamestown, N. Y.

Miss Nettie Amelia Romans, graduate 1894, Women's Christian Association Hospital, Jamestown, N. Y.

Miss Stella M. Jenkins, graduate 1900, St. Luke's Home and Hospital, Utica, N. Y.

Miss Christina Sutherland, graduate 1899, Women's Christian Association Hospital, Jamestown, N. Y.

Miss Mary F. Hood, graduate 1899, Rochester City Hospital.

Miss Katherine C. Welch, graduate 1900, St. Luke's Hospital, Utica, N. Y.

Miss Clara M. Hartley, graduate 1903, Hahnemann Hospital.

Miss Louisa J. Knorr, graduate 1897, Hahnemann Hospital.

Miss Anna Mae Miller, graduate 1900, Amsterdam Hospital.

Miss Frances McCurdy, graduate 1895, University Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa.

Miss Minnie A. Ketcham, graduate 1896, Bellevue Hospital, New York City.

Miss Katherine C. Knorr, graduate 1893, Hahnemann Hospital.

Miss Sarah Moore Delaney, graduate 1897, New York City Hospital.

Miss Anna F. Burns, graduate 1903, St. Barnabas Hospital, Jersey City, N. J.

Miss Mary Luella Burns, graduate 1896, Amsterdam City Hospital, Amsterdam, N. Y.

Miss Lydia E. Coakly, graduate 1892, Connecticut Training-School.

Miss Alice R. Hayes, graduate 1900, St. Luke's Hospital, Utica, N. Y.

Miss Mary Eleanor McKenzie, graduate 1899, St. Luke's Hospital, Utica, N. Y.

Miss Geneva C. Burhaus, graduate 1899, City of Kingston Hospital, Kingston, N. Y.

Miss Caroline Evans, graduate 1898, St. Luke's Hospital, Utica, N. Y.

Miss Agnes McInnes, graduate 1898, New State Hospital, Morris Plains, N. J.

Miss Eva V. Kay, graduate 1898, Hahnemann Hospital, Rochester, N. Y.

Miss Helen Mills, graduate 1902, Hahnemann Hospital, Rochester, N. Y.

Miss Elizabeth H. Stahl, graduate 1891, Methodist Episcopal Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Miss Caroline A. Dockstader, graduate 1901, Amsterdam Hospital, Amsterdam, N. Y.

Miss Alma G. Clark, graduate 1902, Hahnemann Hospital, Rochester, N. Y.

An application received from Miss Emma E. Hild, resident in Pennsylvania, has been declined, and applications from eleven individuals and three Alumnae Associations were, unfortunately, received too late to be presented for consideration.

JESSIE MCCALLUM, Secretary,
Post-Graduate Hospital, New York.

TO THE NEW YORK STATE NURSES

THE following circular letter has been issued by the secretary of the New York State Nurses' Association:

"It is the earnest wish of the New York State Nurses' Association that every nurse eligible for registration shall make application at once to Mr. J. R. Parsons, Jr., secretary of Regents, Albany, *for an application blank* (no charge whatever for this).

"In order to facilitate the further steps of registration, a delegate was appointed at the semi-annual meeting to inquire into some seemingly obscure points regarding the application blank.

"The following information was given by Mr. Parsons:

"It is not necessary to send diplomas to Albany, although the Regents have the right to ask any doubtful applicant to forward her diploma. A fee of five dollars and a photograph must accompany the blank when it is returned.

"The applicant swears before a Justice of the Peace, Notary Public, or Commissioner of Deeds that what she has written on the blank in reply to the questions is true and that the enclosed photograph is hers, and signs her name.

"It is not necessary to show diplomas or photograph to the aforesaid Justice of the Peace, Notary Public, or Commissioner of Deeds.

"The physician is requested to fill in the spaces in the certificate of good moral character and to sign his name in the first of the three spaces for signatures required. The two nurses follow with their signatures, adding after their names the number of years they have known applicant.

"Give only the information asked for on the blank.

"Letters of recommendation are not called for.

"Regarding the training-school blanks, it is not necessary for a training-school to be incorporated. The clause which reads 'make only the allowance specified, etc.,' refers to schools which make some allowance to pupils who may have had some previous training for the work. Such allowance, if any, must be specified on the back of the blank.

"JESSIE McCALLUM, Secretary,
"303 East Twentieth Street, New York."

SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR NURSES

REPORT OF THE GATHERING AT NEW HAVEN, CONN., SEPTEMBER 28-30

In response to the invitation extended by the Spanish War Veterans to join them in the social features of their annual encampment, between thirty and forty nurses assembled in New Haven. The long and enthusiastically greeted parade was the success of Monday afternoon, and in the evening addresses of welcome were delivered to a large assemblage in Woolsey Hall. After these exercises the Governor of the State and his staff received the guests of the city, and later in the evening the War Nurses were entertained informally by the officers of the Spanish War Veterans at their headquarters.

Tuesday morning the nurses were shown over Yale University and Peabody Museum under the escort of a member of the faculty. After a pleasant luncheon at the hotel head-quarters the nurses joined the Veterans and their Auxiliary in a trolley-ride tendered them by the Business Men's Association, and all the points of interest in and near the city were viewed from the cars and described by a guide in each car. From eight to ten that evening all participated in a delightful reception tendered the society by the Alumnae Association of the

Connecticut Training-School at New Haven Hospital. From ten to eleven-thirty the nurses enjoyed the entertainment given by the Veterans at their "camp-fire."

Wednesday morning an informal meeting was called by the president to discuss the affairs of the society. It was the unanimous desire of all the members present that a certain style of uniform should be adopted by the society for wear on all appropriate occasions. The matter was placed in the hands of a committee, which is to report to the Executive Committee. A simple and inexpensive uniform with a distinctive cap and brassard was generally approved, and the wish was expressed that a similar one should be planned in time for wear at the next meeting. The purchase of a flag or banner was also discussed. Following the line of work proposed by the president in her annual address, committees were selected to represent the hospitals of 1898 in preparing the record of nursing in the war. Another topic discussed was the next meeting of the society, which is to be held in St. Louis, and the Executive Committee was unanimously requested to place the date of the meeting in the week beginning September 26. As the gathering was an altogether informal one, and not a regular meeting of the society, no business was transacted, but, as above stated, several suggestions were made for the consideration of the Executive Committee.

Wednesday afternoon a foot-ball game between Yale and Tufts College was enjoyed, and in the evening the nurses were guests of the Hyperion Theatre to witness "The Virginian." Thus closed three days, every minute of which was keenly enjoyed, and everyone returned home with the feeling that this little holiday had been a benefit as well as a pleasure.

ANITA NEWCOMB McGEE, President;
LELA WILSON, Recording Secretary.

REPORT OF THE HOSPITAL ECONOMICS COURSE FOR THE MONTH OF
OCTOBER, 1903

THE students registered for the course are as follows: Minnie H. Ahrens, Grace E. Baker, Helen Balcom, Annie M. Coleman, E. A. Douglass, Isabella Emma Jewell, F. Madeline Shaw, Helen W. Kelly, Mathild H. Krueger, Christina MacLennan, Susan G. Parish, Mary H. Paterson, Winona Peterson, Marie M. Stotz, Mary C. Wheeler.

Miss E. A. Lampman and Miss Lucy G. Van Horn withdrew their names at the time of registration, it being impossible for them to complete their arrangements.

Miss Mathild Krueger, of the Illinois Training-School, has reentered, to complete the course which she began last year.

Following the schedule of our course the students have taken from the elective courses biology and physical education, domestic science 14, physical education 10, and domestic science 13. All but one are taking bacteriology, and all but three are taking domestic science 10. A number are taking physical education 1,—gymnastics, the elementary course,—which gives them an hour's exercise twice a week. The students are allowed to enter as auditors domestic science 11 and 12; as this is lecture work, it helps them with their other studies, but gives them no extra work to do and counts for no credit.

Domestic science 13 has not been taken by these students since the first year of our work. It is being given now in a practical way (for the first half-year), which will aid them in their study of hospital construction, including lighting, heating, ventilation, water supply, and disposal of waste.

We have taken up our work at the Speyer School with a class of twenty pupils—the same class of pupils that we had last year. The hospital economics students have planned a very good course of lessons to meet the conditions found there. This course will be given in detail next month in the report. The students are very enthusiastic about this work.

Upon the withdrawal of Miss Allerton from her lecture course to this class Miss Goodrich has consented to take her place. As this work will be given this year in connection with domestic science 13, it will be more directly applied to the essentials for hospital work. The subjects will be as follows:

Lecture 1, "General Hospitals and Accessory Departments."

Lecture 2, "Special Hospitals."

Lecture 3, "Hospital Equipment."

The first course of lectures will be given by Miss Nutting the second week in November.

The places visited for the month have been the Presbyterian Hospital, Manhattan State Hospital, St. Mary's Free Hospital for Children, Bellevue Hospital, and one session of the New York State Meeting.

Money received for the course this month has been ten dollars from Mrs. Gretter and three dollars and fifty cents from the Old Dominion Alumnae Association.

The students so far have enjoyed their work very much, and seem fully to appreciate why they are here. Being a large class, the class spirit is more developed than heretofore; they have organized as a class, and have their president and secretary, and in this way will be represented in the college functions.

All the students board at the dormitory, and in every respect it promises to be a satisfactory year.

ANNA L. ALLINE.

November 5, 1903.

NURSES' SOCIETY OF THE COUNTY OF NEW YORK

A LONG-TALKED-OF, much-needed movement is on foot, the organizing of all the isolated societies in New York County into one large body. The question arises how to do this without disturbing all that has been accomplished heretofore and without creating an entirely new organization. In a way, to make it serve to hold that which is already formed and strengthen it as only one large organization with definite aims and purposes can, the following letter has been sent to the presidents of the societies in New York:

"To the Alumnae Association of —, Miss — — —, President.

"MY DEAR MADAM PRESIDENT: At the meeting held at 120 East Thirty-first Street on Monday, October 26, to discuss the advisability of creating a society of the nurses in the County of New York and to consider the method of forming such an association the following points were brought out:

"1. That there should be a forum where the many questions and problems (constantly arising through the rapid evolution of the profession of nursing) demanding answers and solutions may be propounded and expounded; that said matters are often not pertinent to what should constitute the routine of business at the deliberations of the New York State Nurses' Association.

"2. That it is conceded by the majority that the proper form of representation in the State society is by regularly elected and instructed delegates from the county association. Therefore it would seem wise to consider the forming of such an association as speedily as possible.

"3. Should the organization be formed and put into motion at once, that it be composed of delegates from already organized bodies, the number of such delegates to be one for every ten members of each affiliating society. That the county association shall in turn send these delegates to the meetings of the State society, or that the membership in the county be a representation of one for every five members of each affiliating society, and the county to then elect one in ten as delegates to the State association.

"4. It is recommended that the first meeting of such society be held on the first Monday of January, 1904, and after that meeting, which will be more or less devoted to perfecting the organization, that there be held four meetings in each year, viz.: in the months of March and May, in order to precede and follow the annual meeting of the New York State Nurses' Association, the other two to be held at such times as the societies may find necessary; that these meetings shall be held at eight o'clock in the evening on the first Monday of the months designated in such locality as shall be most convenient for the members, until such time as the county shall have its own headquarters, which, when we consider that there are eight thousand nurses in New York, ought not to be far distant.

"May we ask that you place the foregoing statement before your association, either at the stated meeting following the receipt of this communication or at a special meeting called for the purpose of considering the subject, in order that your delegates may be advised of your society's wishes in this very important matter and instructed to appear and present said views and wishes at the meeting to be held on the first Monday of December in the Training-School parlors of the New York Hospital, 8 West Sixteenth Street?

"At this meeting the secretary pro tem. will have on file copies of reports from the several county associations already formed in nursing centres. During the interim any propositions individuals or societies may wish to have filed may be sent to

"MARY E. THORNTON, Secretary pro tem.,
120 East Thirty-first Street.

THE EUROPEAN PARTY

PLANS for the European trip thus far perfected include Naples, Genoa, Pisa, Florence, Venice, Milan, the Italian Lakes, Switzerland, the Rhine, Germany (Cologne, Dresden, Berlin, Potsdam), and as much of the surroundings of Paris and London as can be managed.

This itinerary is, in a measure, dependent upon the date set for the International Congress, which, rumor tells, is fixed for the first week in June, 1904; however, no official notice to that effect has come.

In the event of there being a very large party a special sailing might be arranged for, but if there should be only, say, twenty-five, this, of course, could not be done. The present outlook is for a large number, and there would seem to be every reason to suppose all plans might be easily carried out. Every one wishes, or should wish, to go to Europe, and the congress offers an exceptional opportunity that we should embrace.

A nurse who has been visiting London recently writes that she has petitioned that the "Old Curiosity Shop" may not be razed until we have seen it.

Apply to

MISS M. E. THORNTON,
120 East Thirty-first Street, New York City.

TEACHERS COLLEGE, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, NEW YORK

THE Class in Hospital Economics, Teachers College, numbers fifteen members this year. The work is now well under way, and the students already realize that the opportunities offered are far beyond their anticipations.

The subjects elected for the course of study are all proving of the greatest interest and value, and are so correlated as to give a most practical knowledge of their use.

The subjects are as follows: Psychology, biology, anatomy and physiology, domestic science, and hospital economics. From psychology the class feels a great gain in a knowledge of human nature and a better appreciation of how to deal with problems of daily life.

It may be of interest to some to know of Dr. Thorndike's book, "The Human Nature Club," which is so well adapted to help those not familiar with the subject.

The lectures and demonstrations given in biology, anatomy and physiology, and in domestic science are felt by the students to be giving them a deeper and broader conception of their meaning and importance in relation to all the work of a nurse.

The time given to the subject of hospital economics is devoted to lectures and discussions of hospital and training-school management and the methods in use. This period is always intensely interesting and advantageous.

We have the opportunity of practice teaching at Speyer School Settlement, where a class of young women are given instruction in home nursing.

The weekly hospital excursions are proving most beneficial. We appreciate the courtesies shown the class by the superintendents of the hospitals visited, in all of which we have been most cordially received. It is of inestimable benefit to us of lesser experience to meet such able representatives of the nursing profession.

Not only is the work at Teachers College a great help to us as nurses, but the daily association with students of other courses tends to give us wider interests.

MINNIE H. AHRENS, Class Secretary,
1230 Amsterdam Avenue.

PENNSYLVANIA STATE MEETING

THE meeting for the completion of the organization of the Graduate Nurses' Association of the State of Pennsylvania was called to order at the Hotel Schenley, Pittsburg, on October 5 and 6, 1903, at nine-thirty A. M.

The opening prayer was made by the Right Rev. Cortland Whitehead, of Pittsburg, followed by an address of welcome by Dr. Percival Eaton, also of Pittsburg.

Response by Miss Brobston, of Philadelphia, chairman.

The first session was taken up with the adoption and signing of the constitution by about eighty nurses.

The first address was made by Miss Allerton, chairman of the New York State Legislative Committee, who gave an interesting talk on organization work and also many valuable hints.

The afternoon session was fully taken up by the adoption of the by-laws.

On the second day an address was made by Miss Sophia Palmer, Editor-in-Chief of THE AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING, who supplemented Miss Allerton's address. The reports of the various committees were read and approved.

Resolutions of thanks were tendered to Bishop Whitehead for his opening prayer, Dr. Percival Eaton for his cordial welcome, the nurses of Pittsburg for their entertainment, Miss Allerton and Miss Palmer for their address and help, and to the management of the Hotel Schenley for the use of rooms in which to hold their meetings.

The permanent officers for the year elected were:

President, Miss Anna E. Brobson, Philadelphia, Pa.

First vice-president, Miss Curtis, Phoenixville, Pa.

Second vice-president, Miss McKee, Johnstown, Pa.

Secretary, Miss Ida F. Giles, Pittsburg, Pa.

Treasurer, Miss A. M. Shiels, Philadelphia, Pa.

Board of Directors—Miss Lucas, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Burgess, Pittsburg, Pa.; Miss Molloy, Philadelphia, Pa.; Miss Collins, York, Pa.

The next meeting of the association will be held at Harrisburg on Wednesday and Thursday of the third week in January.

Much gratification is felt on account of the enthusiasm displayed on the subject of organization by the nurses, doctors, and the general public.

The meetings have so far been largely attended, and reports from outlying districts are very encouraging, several county societies having been formed preliminary to entering the State Association.

It is hoped that before the next meeting several hundred new members will have been enrolled.

A full report of the meetings printed in pamphlet form may be had for ten or fifteen cents upon application to

MRS. GEORGE LOEFFLER,

Chairman Press and Publication Committee,

5165 Woodward Street, Pittsburg, Pa.

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE NURSES' EXAMINING BOARD OF
GRADUATE NURSES OF THE STATE OF VIRGINIA

SECTION 1. All nurses must obtain, either by letter or in person from the secretary and treasurer, the application blanks for certificates as registered nurses, and must file said form, duly filled and attested, with the secretary at least fifteen days before date of examination.

SEC. 2. *Application for Certificate as Registered Nurse:*

"I hereby apply for a certificate as registered nurse in the State of Virginia and inclose the following proofs and fee as required by laws of 1903:

"1. Certificate of moral character.

"2. Evidence of professional training and experience.

"3. Certified check, post office order, or express money order for five dollars."

(Cancel words not applying.)

Make checks, drafts, etc., payable to secretary and treasurer of Nurses' Examining Board of Virginia.

Signature of applicant,

Post-office address,

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

1. Full name?

2. State age at graduation?

3. Legal residence?
4. Give the date and source of each credential which you hold, including both preliminary education and professional training.
5. Are you a member of the alumnae association in connection with the training-school of which you are a graduate? Or are you a member of any local nurses' association in the State of Virginia?
6. In what months and years and in what institutions have you studied nursing?
7. How many years, where, and in what capacity have you practised nursing?

I desire to apply for a certificate { Without examination.
 { With examination in practical nursing.
 { With full examination.
 (Cancel words not applying.)

AFFIDAVIT.

STATE OF VIRGINIA, } ss.
 COUNTY OF } ss.

— — being duly sworn, says that — — is the person who is referred to in the foregoing application for certificate as registered nurse in the State of Virginia; that the statements therein contained are in own handwriting and are strictly true in every respect; that — has complied with all requirements of the law, and that — *has read and understood this affidavit.*

— — (Signature of applicant.)

Sworn to before me, this
 day of — 190

— — { Justice of the Peace.
 { Notary Public.
 { Commissioner of Deeds.
 (Cancel titles not applying.)

CERTIFICATE OF GOOD MORAL CHARACTER.

(Signed by a physician in good standing, and by two graduate nurses eligible for registration.)

This certifies that I have been personally acquainted with — — for — years; that I believe — to be truthful, reliable, and of good moral character, and I hereby recommend — to the State Board of Nurses as entirely worthy to receive a certificate as registered nurse in the State of Virginia pursuant to law.

— — P. O. Address,
 Graduate (in the year) of
 — — P. O. Address,
 Graduate (in the year) of
 — — P. O. Address,
 Graduate (in the year) of

SEC. 3. Candidates in turning in their papers to the examiner-in-charge must sign them, not with their names, but with the numbers assigned them by the secretary, which numbers are to be known only to the parties and the secretary, and by which numbers only are the papers to be examined and marked by the examiners.

SEC. 4. Each candidate is expected to sign a pledge to the effect that he or she has neither received nor given information on any of the subjects under examination during the time of the examination.

SEC. 5. Each candidate will have a table or desk assigned him by number, and he is expected to occupy only that desk during the examination.

SEC. 6. Candidates are not allowed to leave the hall after once entering it until they have handed in their papers relating to the subject then on the blackboard. Furthermore, they are not allowed during the progress of the examination to communicate with each other verbally or by notes or signs.

SEC. 7. Visitors will not be allowed in the hall during the examinations, except by official invitation of the board, and under no circumstances will they be permitted to communicate with or interrupt the candidates during the time of examination.

SEC. 8. The Nurses' Examining Board of Virginia desires to reciprocate with the boards of other States, but deems it necessary for its own protection that every applicant claiming such recognition shall present with his or her petition a diploma from a reputable general hospital, together with an attested certificate from a State Nurses' Examining Board having same requirements as our board, and shall pass a satisfactory oral examination before a committee of the board. Having complied with these requirements, a certificate will be issued on payment of the usual fee.

SEC. 9. The Nurses' Examining Board of Virginia declines to recognize the diploma of any training-school which does not conform to the requirements of the Association of Graduate Nurses of Virginia.

SEC. 10. Examinations, both written and oral, in medical, surgical, obstetrical, and practical nursing will be held semi-annually, spring and fall. Due notice of date and place will be given through the local press and professional journals.

NOTICE TO ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATIONS

THE price of "Congress Transactions" has been reduced to *one dollar* per volume, and all alumnae associations that have not already purchased them are earnestly urged to do so.

Many associations responded to the appeal from the Associated Alumnae last April and invested a sum represented by ten cents per capita of their membership in copies of "Congress Transactions" and retailed them to their own members at the cost price, but there are associations from whom a reply has not been received, and to such the appeal is repeated.

Any desired information will be furnished and orders will be taken by the treasurer, Miss Tamar E. Healy, 160 Joralemon Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

THE JOURNAL STOCK

SO MANY inquiries are being made in regard to stock in THE AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING Company that we are authorized to announce that letters asking for information should be addressed to the president, Miss M. E. P. Davis, Boston Insane Hospital, New Dorchester, Boston, Mass., and that checks should be made payable to the treasurer, Miss Mary M. Riddle, 745 Massachusetts Avenue, Boston, Mass. This stock is held entirely by individual nurses and alumnae associations.—Ed.

REGULAR MEETINGS

BUFFALO.—The regular monthly meeting of the Buffalo Nurses' Association was held in the Guard of Honor Rooms November 2, Miss Owen, president, in the chair. The business of the day was the appointment of a delegate to the New York State Federation and the discussion of the proposed changes in the by-laws. Miss Sylveen Nye was chosen to represent the association in Utica next week, Miss Josephine Snetsinger and Miss Mary Louise Drake alternates. The notice of change in the by-laws was as follows:

"It is proposed to change the number of the quorum of the Buffalo Nurses' Association from fifteen to nine. The request was posted in the club-room at 77 West Eagle Street on September 7 and is signed by Miss Snetsinger, Miss Greenwood, Miss Marsden, Dr. Oliver, Miss M. K. Benham. (See by-laws, Article I., Section 1.)

"It is further proposed, and the notice was posted September 8 in the club-room at 77 West Eagle Street, to admit married nurses to the Association *without* compelling them to subscribe to the Sick Benefit Fund. Signed by Miss Grovenbury, Miss Greenwood, Miss Owen, Miss Overton, Miss Rothfuss. (See by-laws, Article VIII., Section 1.)"

Each proposed change was discussed at length, the matter being finally held over to the next meeting. The trades school project was briefly touched upon, the general expression of the house being in favor of a trades school rather than scholarships. The Programme Committee in asking to be discharged reported the yearly programme issued October 17. Something to attract and draw the members together was desired, so there has been introduced some subjects in rather lighter vein, arranging them in alternation with the more scientific subjects. At the conclusion of the business meeting Dr. DeWitt G. Wilcox gave a very interesting lecture on "Surgical Emergencies" which was much enjoyed. At the close of his address the members passed a vote of thanks to Dr. Wilcox and expressed the hope that they might hear him again, after which the meeting adjourned.

CINCINNATI.—In the latter part of May, 1897, the following notice appeared in the Cincinnati papers: "All graduate nurses interested in forming a nurses' association are invited to meet at the Presbyterian Hospital, West Sixth Street, at eight P.M.," and was signed by Olive Fisher, Mary Hamer Greenwood, J. Della Hall, Josephine Osborn. Thirty nurses responded to this call. A thorough discussion of the need of organization among the nurses of Cincinnati was followed by a motion, which was carried unanimously, that an association to be known as "The Graduate Nurses' Association of Cincinnati" be formed. At a subsequent meeting officers were elected, a constitution and by-laws adopted, and a permanent organization effected. The first directory for nurses in Cincinnati was established by the Society of the Cincinnati Training-School for Nurses. When this society ceased to take an active part in nursing affairs the directory was managed for a short time by the Academy of Medicine. One of the first things attempted by the newly organized association was the establishment of a central directory. This was successfully carried into effect and has been maintained and governed by the association since that time. At the regular monthly meetings, which as a rule are always well attended, papers of general interest to the profession are read and discussed. The winter of 1902 and 1903 was de-

voted to the study of the charitable organizations and settlement work at Cincinnati. Of especial interest was an open meeting at which Dr. William Crane, of the Board of Health, spoke on the following subject, "How the Graduate Nurse can Coöperate with the Board of Health." This winter the work outlined is to deal with the subjects of "State Association" and "State Registration." The association has eighty members in full standing, and has been the means of bringing about active coöperation among the members of the nursing profession in Cincinnati.

BUFFALO.—The Erie County Alumnae on the evening of November 13 held a "measuring social" at the home of Dr. and Mrs. F. W. Filsinger for the benefit of the alumnae. Members and their friends received cards bearing the concise quotation with the invitation:

"Three cents for every foot you're tall,
We'll measure you on door or wall:
Two extra cents for each inch give,
And thereby show how high you live."

Guests and their friends were received by Mrs. Filsinger and Miss Keating, and then made merry over being measured and at some guessing and modelling games, which were quite unique, after which the Social Committee, consisting of Misses Jennie Cox, Lillian Dark, and Mrs. Gustin Welch, assisted by the hostess, Mrs. Filsinger, served dainty refreshments.

PHILADELPHIA.—The Philadelphia County Nurses' Association held its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, November 11, 1903, at three P.M., in the rooms at 108 South Eighteenth Street, Philadelphia, Pa., Miss Ramsden, first vice-president, in the chair. Regular routine business was transacted. On motion of Miss Milne, seconded by Miss Montgomery, the new rooms will be taken for a year, to be rented monthly. Wednesday, November 18, will be "Donation Day," when any articles suitable for furnishing rooms will be gratefully accepted by the Room Committee. The following committee was appointed by the chair to work up the interests of State registration. Miss Allen, chairman; Miss Brobson, Miss Dunlop, Miss Payne, and Miss Malloy. The resignation of Mrs. Mabel G. Anders was accepted with regret. The Misses Spackman, Payne, Boscott, Bettig, and Rayer were admitted into membership. The name of Miss Whitaker was presented to the association.

BUFFALO.—Miss Frances Black, the new superintendent of the Buffalo Homœopathic Hospital, gave a charming tea in the parlors of the hospital from four to six on the afternoon of October 20 in honor of Miss Snetsinger, the retiring superintendent of nurses. The quaint old rooms were gay with palms and autumn flowers and festoons of red satin ribbons, the class color for the fall graduates. Miss Black was assisted in receiving by Miss Sylvie Nye and Miss Mary Louise Drake, the tea-table being presided over by Miss Damer and Mrs. A. J. Martin. Many friends of the hospital were present, members of the Training-School Committee, Junior Board and staff, superintendents and nurses from other schools, and the majority of the Homœopathic graduates. All came to have a parting word with Miss Snetsinger and to leave a hearty welcome for Miss Black.

BROOKLYN.—The October meeting of the Methodist Episcopal Alumnae was held at the hospital. Mrs. William B. Leverick, *née* Mabel O. Harding, was elected treasurer of the endowment fund. The president announced that the Executive Board had considered the association's communication concerning the endowment of a room in the hospital, and had appointed a committee—consisting of Dr. Kavanagh, Mr. Bently, and Dr. Lewis S. Pilcher—to meet the alumnae. The association voted that a committee of seven be appointed by the chair to confer with said committee. Dr. Kavanagh and Mr. Bently were present and expressed their appreciation of our generosity and discussed some of the points to be seriously considered. The board unhesitatingly agreed to sign a contract between the hospital and the Alumnae Association.

PHILADELPHIA.—The regular monthly meeting of the University Hospital Alumnae was called to order at three P.M. by the president, Miss Rudden. Seventeen members responded to the roll-call. The E. R. Fund shows a steady increase, which is very gratifying. It is to be hoped that our members will recognize the advantage gained by attending lectures at the hospital, for which Miss Smith has given permission. A report of the meeting of the State Society at Pittsburg was read. Miss A. E. Brobson urged the hearty coöperation of each member in the work undertaken. Five new members were admitted, Misses Doolittle, Gordon, McGill, Ritter, Clay. One name was proposed for membership. Then followed an animated discussion on various topics and adjournment of a most enthusiastic meeting.

PROVIDENCE, R. I.—The Rhode Island Hospital Nurses' Club met at the George Ide Chace Home for Nurses, November 10, the subject for the evening being "New Fields of Nursing Work." Miss Elizabeth F. Flemming, matron of the Union Hospital, Fall River, Mass., gave an interesting description of the preparatory course of the Training-School connected with that hospital. Miss Margaret J. MacPherson read a paper on "Army Nursing," Miss Ruth E. Miller on "Settlement Work," Miss Bertha G. Perry on "Tenement House Inspection," Miss Annie L. Bamford on "School Nurses." The papers were carefully prepared and were appreciated by those present. The parlors were well filled with graduate and pupil nurses. Refreshments were served after the programme. A pleasant and profitable evening.

TORONTO.—The annual meeting of the Alumnae Association of the Toronto General Hospital School for Nurses was held in the lecture hall of the residence on Tuesday, October 20, at three P.M., when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. Paffard; secretary, Miss Hartley; treasurer, Miss Dougal; first vice-president, Miss Stewart. All these officers were elected by acclamation. Mrs. McPherson was elected second vice-president and Mrs. Winchester director. The meeting was well attended, and several committees were elected to look after the work for the ensuing season. Before the close of the meeting Miss Snively, honorary president, was presented with one of the pretty gold and enamel badges recently adopted by the society.

BOSTON.—On Tuesday, October 27, being the annual meeting of the directors and managers of the New England Hospital for Women and Children, the hospital buildings were opened to the public. The stockholders of the Nurses'

Club-House offered their rooms to the directors and their friends for their annual entertainment. The main hall and double parlors were prettily decorated, and tea was served from four to six. There were about seventy-five persons present. Everyone was pleased with the Club-House arrangements. A very pretty party was given by the pupil nurses at the Lucy Goddard Home on Saturday, October 31 (Hallowe'en night). There were many youths and maidens prettily and grotesquely attired. The inmates of the Club-House were invited.

TORONTO.—The Alumnae Association of the Nurses of the General Hospital of Toronto had a most enjoyable reception on the afternoon of October 15. A number of nurses, past and present, had the opportunity of meeting each other, some of them representing the Class of 1886, whom the younger students were glad to meet, which rendered the gathering one of peculiar interest. The guests were received by Mrs. Pafford, president, and Miss Green. Miss Snively also received the guests, and was most kind in introducing her old and new friends. The tea-table was charmingly decorated in rose silk, with pretty ornaments of roses, carnations, and ferns. An orchestra played during the reception, which was a very successful one in every way.

NEW YORK.—The Alumnae Association of the New York City Training-School held its regular meeting at the Academy of Medicine, 17 West Forty-third Street, Tuesday, October 10, at three P. M., the president in the chair. After the reading and approving of the minutes announcement was made of the recent death of Mr. C. P. Armstrong, husband of one of our most interested members. It was moved that a letter of condolence be sent to Mrs. Armstrong. A very interesting lecture was given by Dr. De Santos Sax on "Pulmonary Tuberculosis." Will the members of this Alumnae Association upon changing their addresses please notify the secretary? She will also esteem it a personal favor if news items of general interest are sent to her address.

NEW YORK.—The regular monthly meeting of the Alumnae Association of the New York Hospital was held in the lecture-room November 11. There was a large attendance, and a noticeable feature was that nearly half the number were those in hospital positions. Miss Mary A. Samuel is the newly appointed secretary to serve for the unexpired term of Miss Alice MacDonnell, resigned. Misses Goodrich, Clarke, and Frederick were reappointed a committee with discretionary power as to the forming of a county association for nurses. The resignation of Mr. Geo. S. Bowdoin from the Advisory Board and as trustee of the "Fund for Sick Nurses" was accepted with much regret. Mr. Herman H. Cammann was unanimously elected to fill both offices.

BROOKLYN.—The regular monthly meeting of the Brooklyn Hospital Alumnae was held Tuesday afternoon, November 3, and was very well attended. A letter from the Woman's Auxiliary of the hospital was read announcing that on January 1 the position of superintendent of the school would be filled by Miss Mary Ard MacKenzie, a graduate of the University of Toronto and the Massachusetts General Hospital. After the business meeting matters in regard to the Fair were discussed with great interest. This Fair will be held in Cleremont Hall November 19 and 20, and it is earnestly urged that all the graduates interest themselves in it not only by attending the Fair, but in contributing to it articles for sale.

PITTSBURG.—At the annual meeting of Allegheny General Hospital Nurses' Alumnae Association, held at the hospital November 2, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Miss Maude Brown; vice-president, Miss Sara Trimble; treasurer, Miss Helen Hendrickson; recording secretary, Mrs. O. V. Dalzel; corresponding secretary, Miss Isabel Chaytor. The meeting of the Superintendents' and State Associations in Pittsburg in October seems to have aroused a little enthusiasm in some of our members, who have heretofore taken no active part in our association, and the prospect for interesting meetings this year seems to be very favorable.

BOSTON.—The ninth annual meeting of the Alumnae Association of the Boston and Massachusetts General Hospital Training-School for Nurses was held in the Thayer Library on Tuesday, October 27. Thirty-eight members answered to the roll-call and fourteen new members were elected. The suggestions of the Committee on Plans for the winter were carefully considered and adopted as follows: The Alumnae Association will give a dinner to the graduating class, will hold every other meeting in the evening, will have one lecture on current events, and one theatre party. Refreshments were served and the social part of the meeting very much enjoyed.

CINCINNATI.—The regular monthly meeting of the Graduate Nurses' Association was held at the City Hospital the last Wednesday in October. Interesting reports from the meeting of the Superintendents of Training-Schools in Pittsburgh and from that of the Hospital Superintendents, held the week previously in Cincinnati, were read. An animated discussion upon State registration followed, and it was decided that the call for a general meeting for Ohio nurses to discuss this subject be sent out by the Graduate Nurses' Association of Cincinnati in the near future.

SOUTH BETHLEHEM, PA.—The annual meeting of the Alumnae Association of St. Luke's Hospital Training-School for Nurses was held at the hospital on October 17 at two P.M., twelve members being present. After the routine work had been completed and the election of the officers for the ensuing year, seven of the graduates, having applied for membership, were admitted as active members. The meeting then adjourned to attend the graduating exercises held in the new Sayre Pavilion. At five o'clock the alumnae entertained the graduates and their friends at a social tea.

BOSTON.—The Boston Nurses' Club, 755 Boylston Street, had a very enjoyable Hallowe'en party. The orthodox cake, with its ring, button, thimble, and coin, afforded much amusement. By ways ancient and modern we tried to rend the veil of the future and find what fate holds in store for us. The cordial greetings of the Entertainment Committee, the pretty decorations, the cheery music, and old-fashioned supper gave the seventy present some fragrant chips for "The Winter's Fire." The club looks forward to a pleasant and profitable season.

BROOKLYN.—The regular meeting of the Alumnae Association of the Long Island College Hospital Training-School for Nurses was held at the registry on Tuesday, November 10, the president in the chair, and a very large number of nurses were present. Two new members were received into the association.

A revision of the constitution and by-laws was read over, to be adopted at the next meeting. At the close of the business meeting a very interesting paper was read by the president on the subject of State registration for nurses.

CLEVELAND, O.—The Graduate Nurses' Association of Cleveland held its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, October 27, in the Young Men's Christian Association building. There was considerable discussion as to the formation of a central registry bureau, and Dr. Dudley P. Allen addressed the society upon the topic. The matter was referred to a committee with instructions to report at the next meeting, the nurses chosen being Misses Sutherland, Lewis, and Wright.

CHICAGO.—The monthly meeting of the Alumnae Association of the Illinois Training-School for Nurses was held October 13, 1903. The question of the Alumnae Association holding stock in THE AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING was discussed. The result was to vote five hundred dollars to be invested in five shares of JOURNAL stock. The plea for greater consideration for alumnae officers, made by Miss Isabel McIsaac, was most worthy of note.

PHILADELPHIA.—The regular monthly meeting of the Nurses' Alumnae Association of the Presbyterian Hospital in Philadelphia was held November 5, at three P.M., in the hospital. There were sixteen members present. Miss Milne, the president, called the meeting to order. After the routine business of the meeting Miss Close, delegate to the Pennsylvania State Nurses' Association, read her report. A discussion of State registration followed.

NEW YORK.—At the annual meeting of the German Hospital, held on November 4, the following officers were elected: President, Miss Frances Grabon; first vice-president, Miss W. Augenstein; second vice-president, Miss Bertha Rahn; secretary, Miss Mathilde Hayn; assistant secretary, Miss Emilie Hayn; treasurer, Miss J. Kritzner; Executive Committee—Miss Emma Dunsing, Miss Dora Maiz, and Miss Alice Hutmacher.

WASHINGTON.—The Garfield Memorial Alumnae was entertained on Wednesday, October 7, by Miss Paxton, of the Columbian University Hospital. At the first regular meeting held at the hospital Dr. Llewellyn Elliott gave a very interesting talk on smallpox.

PHILADELPHIA.—The regular meetings of Camp Liberty Bell are held on the first Friday of each month from October to June at three in the afternoon at the Carlisle, 425 South Carlisle Street. All Spanish-American War Nurses are cordially invited.

CORRECTION.—The name of Miss Vena Richmond was omitted in the list sent the secretary of those attending the meetings of the Spanish-American War Nurses in San Francisco.

ERRATA.—On page 104, paragraph 4, read "Miss Reiba Thélin."

BIRTHS

IN September, to Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson Norris, of Baltimore, Md., a daughter. Mrs. Norris was Miss Martha Cabell Perkins, of Virginia, graduate of the Johns Hopkins Training-School, Class of 1897.

MARRIED

THE following graduates of the Presbyterian Hospital in Philadelphia, Pa., have married during the past four months:

August 3, Miss Matilda Dunlap, Class of 1897, to Mr. Cyrus H. Mellinger. Mr. and Mrs. Mellinger reside in Harrisburg, Pa.

August 3, Miss Anne B. Miller, Class of 1898, to Mr. William S. Wilson. At home at 3740 Filbert Street, Philadelphia.

August 6, Miss Elizabeth A. Milliken, Class of 1900, to Mr. Clifford A. Morton. At home at 287 New York Avenue, town of Union, N. J.

At McKeesport, Pa., September 30, Miss Mary C. Herbertson, Class of 1899, to Mr. Thomas A. Robertson.

On October 21, Miss Rachel E. Woodburn, Class of 1899, to Mr. William P. Du Bois. At home after January 1 at 114 Walnut Street, Haddonfield, N. J.

At Bridgeton, N. J., October 28, Miss Alice Potter, Class of 1903, to Mr. Charles T. Elliott. Mr. and Mrs. Elliott will reside in Plainfield, N. J.

IN Spokane, Wash., October 7, Miss Ida Lyndon Foster to Mr. Walter Mac-Henry Olive, of Mission, Wash. Mrs. Olive is a graduate of the Class of 1901 of the Newport Hospital, and has been for the past year superintendent of St. Luke's Hospital, St. Louis, Mo. Mr. and Mrs. Olive will reside in Mission, Wash.

IN October, in New York City, Miss Elizabeth Wirt Goldsborough Baker, of Pass Christian, Miss., to Dr. Richard Foster Rand, of Connecticut. Miss Baker is a graduate of the Johns Hopkins Training-School, Class of 1902.

IN Boston, on Thursday, October 1, 1903, Miss Aimee Vibber, graduate of the Massachusetts Homeopathic Hospital, Class of 1896, to Dr. Frederick Marshall Parker. Dr. and Mrs. Parker will live in Colchester, Conn.

IN Santiago de Cuba, on October 7, 1903, Miss Adelaide French Gräfing to Mr. Edward D. Stegall. Miss Gräfing was for two years night superintendent of the Civil Hospital, Puerto Principe, Cuba.

ON October 14, in Baltimore, Md., Miss Mary Carey, of Baltimore, to Dr. Henry Baetjer, of Winchester, Va. Miss Carey is a graduate of the Johns Hopkins Training-School, Class of 1902.

OBITUARY

AT her home in Glenview, Ill., September 7, 1903, Miss Jeannette Ward, graduate of the West Side Hospital Training-School of Chicago, Class of 1901. Cheerful and conscientious, with brightest prospects for a long and useful life, her death, which was entirely unexpected, left many to grieve for the kind friend, the faithful nurse, and the loving daughter and sister. After giving, perhaps, too devoted care to a very sick patient and leaving him convalescent, she herself was stricken with typhoid fever. She was a member of the Western Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church, of Chicago.